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For: A METHOD FOR INTRODUCING

CONJUGATED CAPS ONTO MOLECULAR FRAGMENTS AND SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR USING THE SAME TO DETERMINE INTER-MOLECULAR INTERACTION ENERGIES

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on March 18, 2009, Applicants request reconsideration on this application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A one-month extension of time and the requisite fee accompanies this response.

Amendments to the claims and a complete listing of the claims begin on page 2. Remarks begin on page 10.

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